REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated December 8, 2006, issued in connection with the above-identified application. Claims 1-4 and 6-10 are pending in the application. With this Response, claim 11 has been canceled, without prejudice. No new matter has been introduced as a result of the amendments made to the claims. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-10 have been allowed.

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by *Feinberg* (US Patent 6,798,745). With the present amendment canceling claim 11, applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-4 and 6-10 are both novel and non-obvious over the art of record. The Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. A petition for a one-month extension of time also accompanies this Response. If any additional fees are due in connection with this application as a whole, the Examiner is authorized to deduct such fees from deposit account no. 02-1818. If such a deduction is made, please indicate the attorney docket no. (0112740-311) on the account statement.

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